गैर-पारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (प्रो० पी० जे० कुरियन): (क) और (ख) विद्युत मंत्रालय ने संयुक्त राज अमेरिका के ऊर्जा विभाग के साथ 13 जुलाई, 1994 को एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। इस समझौता ज्ञापन में दोनों पक्षों के बीच परामर्श करने हेतु ऊर्जा पर एक उप-मंत्रालयी कार्यकारी ग्रुप की स्थापना की परिकल्पना है।

(ग) और (घ) अपारंपरिक ऊर्जा स्रोत मंत्रालय के सौर ऊर्जा केन्द्र के संयुक्त राज अमेरिका के ऊर्जा विभाग की नेशनल रिन्युएबल एनर्जी लेबोरेटरी के साथ और तापीय और प्रकाशवोल्टीय उत्पादों के परीक्षण, गैर-स्वामित्व वाली वैज्ञानिक सूचना के आदान-प्रदान, सौर विकिरण डाटा संग्रहण, विश्लेषण और प्रसार, भारत तथा संयुक्त राज अमेरिका दोनों देशों में अक्षय ऊर्जा सूचना नेटवर्कों के बीच सम्पर्कों की स्थापना आदि क्षेत्रों में सहयोग के लिए एक समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए हैं। इस समझौता ज्ञापन पर 21.12.94 को हस्ताक्षर किए गए।

इस मंत्रालय द्वारा इलैक्ट्रिक पावर रिसर्च इंस्टीट्यूट (ई पी आर आई) संयुक्त राज अमेरिका के साथ पारस्परिक हित के लिए अक्षय ऊर्जा प्रौद्योगिकियों के आकलन, विकास और प्रदर्शन के लिए दिनांक 13.02.95 को एक अन्य समझौता ज्ञापन पर हस्ताक्षर किए गए हैं और इस उद्देश्य के लिए भारत में उन्नत लागत-प्रभावी प्रकाशवोल्टीय, पवन और बायोमास रूपांतरण प्रौद्योगिकियों को लगाने के कार्य में तेजी लाने के लिए दोनों ही ओर से संस्थाओं, एजेंसियों और उद्योगों द्वारा संयुक्त प्रयास किए जाएंगे।

इसके अलावा दोनों देशों के सार्वजनिक और निजी क्षेत्र की कम्पनियों के बीच भी संयुक्त उद्यम समझौता ज्ञापनों पर हस्ताक्षर किए गए हैं।

Allotment of land under the Rohini Residential Scheme

2610. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKINATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of allotment of land to various categories of applicants who had registered under the Rohini Residential Scheme and the number of plots allotted in each category during the past three years; and

(b) the number of persons in each category in the waiting list and by when Government propose to provide land to all the registered applicants of the above scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPTT. OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI R. K. DHAWAN): (a) The present status of allotment of land to various categories of applicants who had registered under the Rohini Residential Scheme and the number of plots allotted in each categorty during the past three yeas is as under:—

	Category			
	MIG	LIG	Janta/EWS	Total
Total No. of registrants	25,889	38,105	18,390	82,384
No. of plots allotted during the last 3 years:				
1992-93	—	—	—	—
1993-94	—	—	—	—
1994-95	466	—	184	650
Allotments made	10,860	17,109	13,857	41,826
Registration cancelled	—	—	—	1,612

(b) The number of persons in each category in the waiting list is as under:—

MIG	14,034
LIG	20,409
Janata/ EWS	4,503
Total:	38,946

DDA has planned to accommodate all the balance registrants by the end of the 8th Five Year plan, subject to availability of sufficient land infrastructure facilities and funds etc.

News-item on Kashmir

2611. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been brawn to a newsitem captioned "who is running Kashmir, India or West" which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 28th August, 1995; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI): (a) and (b) Government have seen the news-item referred to in the question which basically relates to the hostage issue in Jammu and Kashmir. Government has, from the outset made efforts to encourage the abductors to come forward for dialogue/ discussion, to ensure that no harm is caused to the persons kidnapped. In keeping with the policy of transparency, close liaison and contact has also been maintained with the officials of the Missions of the countries whose nationals have been abducted, which include UK, USA, Germany and Norway. Their officials have also been facilitated to visit Srinagar. Government also agreed to the presence in India of experts of these countries to ennable them to make their own assessment of the situation and advise their missions. In the process Government has welcomed any advice and suggestions that may be given by them. However, at no stage has there been any direct involvement or interference by officials/experts of these countries in the actual handling of the situation. Thus the averments made in this regard in the news-report are incorrect.

Utilisation of funds by North-eastern States for AIDS control

2612. SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of utilisation of funds by the North-eastern States in 1994-95 and 1995-96 allocated for prevention and control of HIV;

(b) the steps taken to ensure 100% safety of blood against HIV infection used for transfusion;

(c) the steps taken to control and regulate all blood banks and mandatory test for HIV; and

(d) whether any survey of HIV infection among the population of North Eastern States has been conducted and if so, the details thereof and if not, when such a survey will be done?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A.R. ANTULAY: (a) The details are given in the enclosed statement *(see* below)

(b) and (c) Regulatory mechanisms have been tightened and it is now mandatory to test every unit of blood to ensure that blood is free from transmissible diseases before it is issued for transfusion. No blood bank can now be opened without the approval of the Drug Controller of India. 150 Zonal Blood Testing Centres have been set up and linkages have been provided to all